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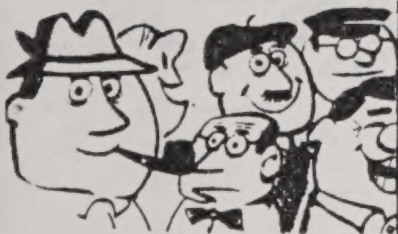
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## 1966 HESPELER, ONTARIO WOOD TOKEN

by Don Robb



In October, 1976 I discovered a few 1966 Hespeler Old Boy's Reunion wooden nickels in an antique shop in Hespeler. At \$3.00 each they were expensive but I ended up buying all there were, ten or twelve as I recall, and I had no difficulty in passing these along to my wood pals at that price.

Among the number was one piece over stamped "Adlers, Hespeler, Ontario" in blue ink. As it turned out, this was a men's wear store right on the main business street in Hespeler. I called on this store and talked to the proprietors, Jules and Bea Spiegel. They recalled the 1966 wood tokens and confirmed that they had over stamped many of the pieces distributed through their store during the Old Boy's Reunion celebration. They also stated that they had, somewhere in their possession, a number of the wood tokens and they promised to search for them and give me a call.

Several weeks passed with no call. I made a second visit, but still no success. At the same time, I called on at least a dozen other main street merchants to locate more tokens, but had no success. The search was abandoned.

In October of this year, I got a call from a coin collector friend. The Spiegels had telephoned him, trying to locate me. They had finally found the hidden treasure.

A deal was arranged, and this included the use of their store rubber stamp to place the Adler store name on a number of the tokens. So these over stamped pieces I now have were not stamped in 1966 but the stamp is probably the same stamp that was used in 1966.

The moral of the story is quite simple: make the calls and have patience. Some people do remember and some will make a special effort to get in touch. Incidentally, after 53 years in business at the same location, the Adlers store closed its doors in October, 1979.

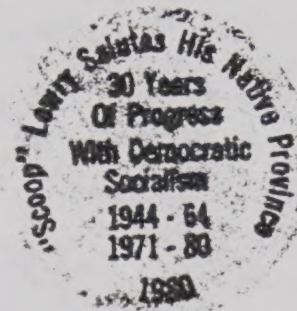
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## NEW ISSUES



Canada's "Mr. Wooden Money" - Norm Wells of Peterborough, Ontario - writes to inform us of this new wood. He indicates that there are still a few available from: Mrs. Gordon Rayner, 5511 Third Line, RR # 1, Milton, Ont., L9T 2X5. The price is 5 for \$1.00 plus S.A.S.E.



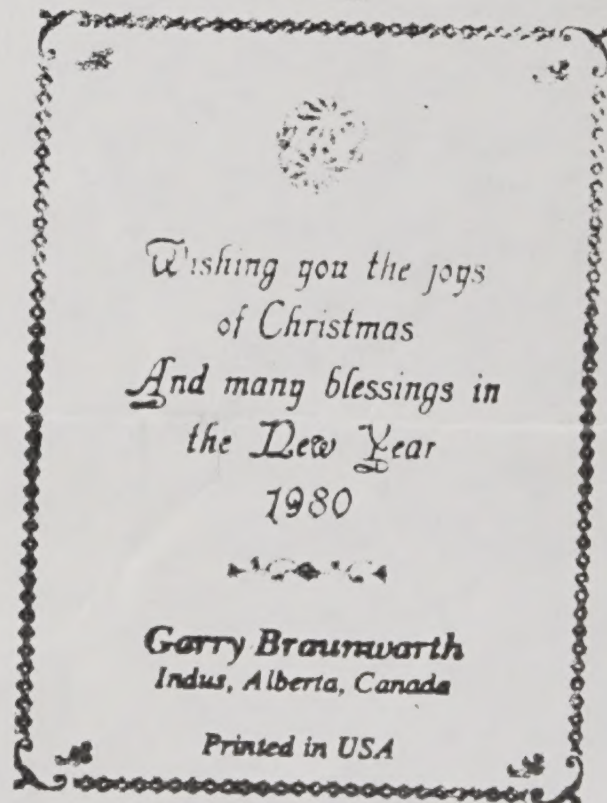
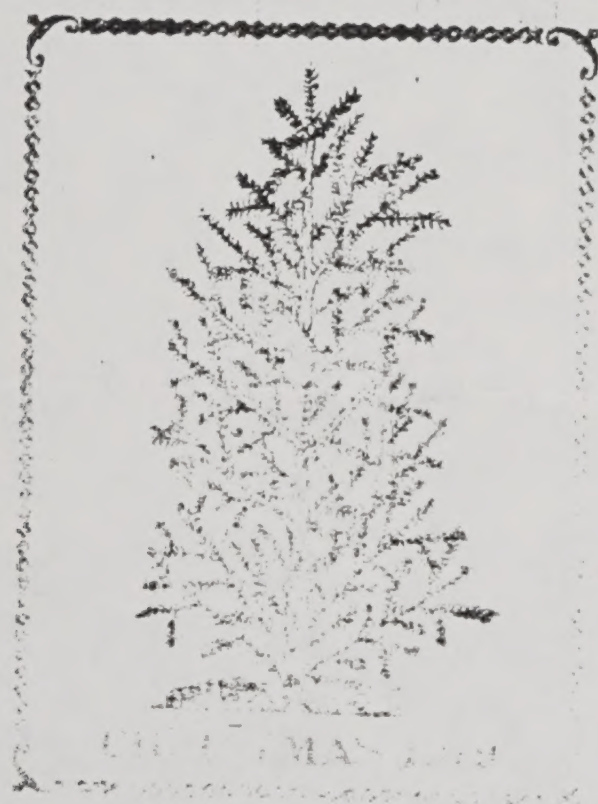
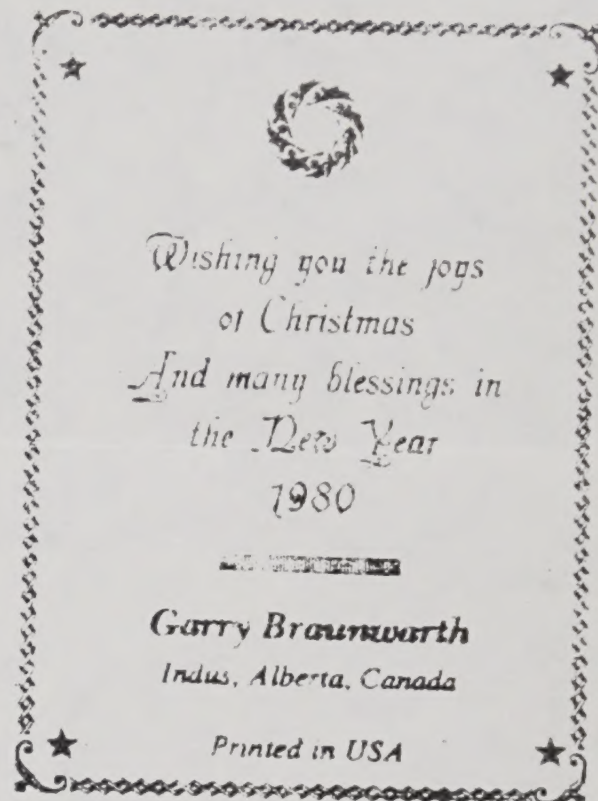
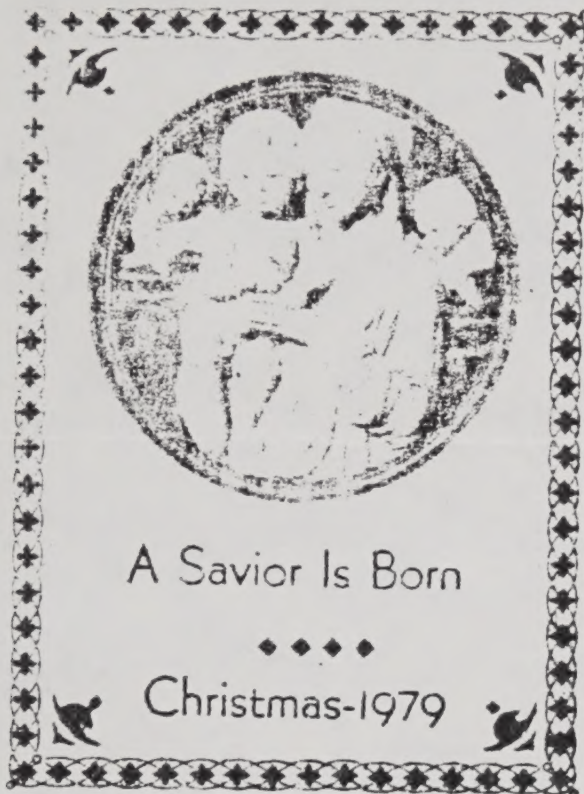
The piece shown directly above is the latest issue of one of our Board of Governors of C.A.W.M.C., Mr. Louis H. "Scoop" Lewry, 1161 - 3rd Ave. N. W. Moose Jaw, Sask., S6H 3V1, Canada.



Two more interesting "new" discoveries from Calgary. These two pieces were brought to my attention by Norm Wells. I then mentioned them to Mark Mogen, who in turn spoke to Donald Stewart about them. Don then proceeded to track down and confirm the existence of the woods. The Brakedrome issue was put out by firm of automobile brake specialists in Calgary. The Sun Smith Cycle & Sports wood was harder to track down, for although the firm is listed in the Calgary telephone directory, they had moved and changed their name in the meantime. Both issues are holed and exist as key chains.

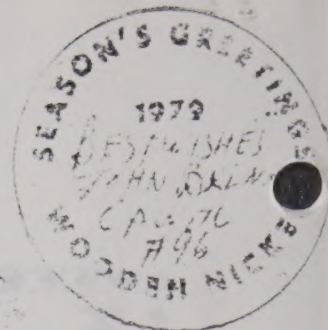


## CHRISTMAS WOOD



Garry Braunwarth has two varieties of Christmas flat, this year. Both are reproduced above.





Christmas rounds thus far received include three from Norm Wells and two from John Brennan.



*Christmas - 1979*

*"The Rest On The Flight To Egypt"*  
by Gerard David - Nat. Gal. of Art

Wishing you the joys  
of Christmas  
And many blessings in  
the New Year  
1980

John, Marcella &  
Michael Brennan

Your editor also received this Christmas flat from John and Marcella Brennan. More Christmas issues will be reported in the January issue of Timber Talk.